

GCEDC STAMP Committee Meeting Tuesday, October 27, 2020 Location: Electronically 10:30 a.m.

# **MINUTES**

# ATTENDANCECommittee Members:A. Young, C. Yunker, A. VanderhoofStaff:M. Masse, L. Casey, J. Krencik, C. Suozzi, S. HydeGuests:P. Zeliff

## 1. Call to Order / Enter Public Session

A. Young called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m. via conference call / video conference.

Because of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Emergency and State and Federal bans on large meetings or gatherings and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020 suspending the Open Meetings Law, this Meeting is being held electronically via conference call instead of a public meeting open for the public to attend in person.

#### 2. Executive Session

C. Yunker made a motion to enter executive session under the Public Officers Law, Article 7, Open Meetings Law Section 105, at 10:37 a.m., for the following reasons:

1. The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

The motion was seconded by A. Vanderhoof and approved by all members present.

#### **Re-Enter Public Session**

C. Yunker made a motion to enter back into public session at 10:49 a.m., seconded by A. Vanderhoof and approved by all.

C. Suozzi left the meeting.

## 3. Chairman's Report & Activities

3a. Agenda Additions / Other Business – Nothing at this time.

3b. Minutes: August 4, 2020

C. Yunker made a motion to approve the August 4, 2020 minutes; the motion was seconded by A. Vanderhoof. Roll call resulted as follows:

P. Zeliff -AbsentA. Young -YesC. Yunker -YesA. Vanderhoof-Yes

The item was approved as presented.

## 4. Discussions / Official Recommendations to the Board:

**4a. CRA National Grid Power Line Re-Route** – National Grid has completed their design and engineering on the 115 kv line re-route at the STAMP site. The next step is to agree upon a CRA with National Grid to move forward with the construction of the re-route. National Grid is currently completing a "rebuild" of the Lockport Line 112 115 kv line and is providing a credit against the cost for what they would have paid for the rebuild of that section of the line. Based on recent discussions with GLS site selectors, they have identified the re-routing of this line as a priority to enable the marketability of the North Campus site.

Fund commitment: \$5,129,900 included in the \$33 million. This commitment is inclusive of the National Grid credit.

A. Vanderhoof made a motion to recommend to the full Board authorization to execute the CRA with National Grid, not to exceed \$5,129,900; the motion was seconded by C. Yunker. Roll call resulted as follows:

| Absent |
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| Yes    |
| Yes    |
| Yes    |
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#### The item was approved as presented.

**4b**. **Niagara County Water District – Additional Contract** – In March of 2019 the GCEDC and the NCWD approved a proposal from Wendel Engineering (NCWD's engineer) to complete the design, engineering, permitting and identification of rights of way to be able to supply up to 6 mgd to the Genesee-Niagara County line, as well as the legal expenses of their attorney (Seaman Norris) in connection with the proposal. Wendel has completed the design work at a 60% level and held a meeting with the GCEDC and CPL to discuss the status. One of the open items that was not included in the scope of work was furthering the electrical design as there were too many variables to be able to take that work past 30% until the other design and engineering was completed. The GCEDC and CPL met with Wendel and discussed the open options on the electrical and which direction would make the most sense for both parties. Based on that discussion, Wendel has provided a proposal to take the electrical design from 30% to 100%. NCWD has already approved this proposal at their October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, contingent upon an amendment to the existing MOU.

Fund commitment: Not to exceed \$169,000 from the \$8 million NYS award.

C. Yunker made a motion to recommend to the full Board authorization to execute an amended MOU with NCWD to perform the scope of work outlined in the proposal included in the Committee materials, not to exceed \$169,000; the motion was seconded by A. Vanderhoof. Roll call resulted as follows:

P. Zeliff -AbsentA. Young -YesC. Yunker -YesA. Vanderhoof-Yes

The item was approved as presented.

## 5. Adjournment

As there was no further business, C. Yunker made a motion to adjourn at 10:27 a.m., seconded by A. Vanderhoof and passed unanimously.